I never realized the full extent of the telephone harassment problem until I quit work to be a stay-at-home mom. I had to turn the phone off when my newborn was sleeping because it rang so often. Often, telemarketers from the same company would call every week. I used to be polite with them but I soon realized that they wouldn't take "No" for an answer and would have to hang up on them. We even got a phone call the very first day we were moving into our current house. The movers were literally carrying our furniture through the door when the phone rang and it was a telemarketer. We even had an unlisted number and it was the first day the number was activated! Since I signed up for the "Do Not Call" list and started telling every telemarketer that did call to add us to their no-call list, we get almost no telemarketing calls. I can't tell you the relief of knowing that when the phone rings, I can pick it up and know it's someone who actually wants to talk to me personally, not my wallet.